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PRODUCT IDs. CORE PRODUCT IDs	
2001 ~ PRODUCT ID #1	~2002 789
PRODUCT ID #2	790
PRODUCT ID #3	788
2000 ~
PRODUCT ID #N	790

FIG. 2

3001 CORE ID	3002 DOMAIN	3003 ATTR 1	3004 ATTR 2	...	3005 ATTR N
789	laptop	cpu	disp		mem
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FIG. 4A is a block diagram of a data structure 4000, which is a table with columns and rows. The columns are labeled: N PROD, NATR, ATTR1 mval, ATTR2 mval, ATTR N mval, val1 prod1, val2 prod1, val2 prod2, val2 prod3, val2 prod4, val2 prod5, val2 prod6, val2 prod7, val2 prod8, val2 prod9, val2 prod10, val2 prod11, val2 prod12, val2 prod13, val2 prod14, val2 prod15, val2 prod16, val2 prod17, val2 prod18, val2 prod19, val2 prod20, val2 prod21, val2 prod22, val2 prod23, val2 prod24, val2 prod25, val2 prod26, val2 prod27, val2 prod28, val2 prod29, val2 prod30, val2 prod31, val2 prod32, val2 prod33, val2 prod34, val2 prod35, val2 prod36, val2 prod37, val2 prod38, val2 prod39, val2 prod40, val2 prod41, val2 prod42, val2 prod43, val2 prod44, val2 prod45, val2 prod46, val2 prod47, val2 prod48, val2 prod49, val2 prod50, val2 prod51, val2 prod52, val2 prod53, val2 prod54, val2 prod55, val2 prod56, val2 prod57, val2 prod58, val2 prod59, val2 prod60, val2 prod61, val2 prod62, val2 prod63, val2 prod64, val2 prod65, val2 prod66, val2 prod67, val2 prod68, val2 prod69, val2 prod70, val2 prod71, val2 prod72, val2 prod73, val2 prod74, val2 prod75, val2 prod76, val2 prod77, val2 prod78, val2 prod79, val2 prod80, val2 prod81, val2 prod82, val2 prod83, val2 prod84, val2 prod85, val2 prod86, val2 prod87, val2 prod88, val2 prod89, val2 prod90, val2 prod91, val2 prod92, val2 prod93, val2 prod94, val2 prod95, val2 prod96, val2 prod97, val2 prod98, val2 prod99, val2 prod100. The rows are labeled: 4003, 4004, 4005, 4006, 4007, 4008, 4009, 4010, 4011, 4012, 4013, 4014, 4015, 4016, 4017, 4018, 4019, 4020, 4021, 4022, 4023, 4024, 4025, 4026, 4027, 4028, 4029, 4030, 4031, 4032, 4033, 4034, 4035, 4036, 4037, 4038, 4039, 4040, 4041, 4042, 4043, 4044, 4045, 4046, 4047, 4048, 4049, 4050, 4051, 4052, 4053, 4054, 4055, 4056, 4057, 4058, 4059, 4060, 4061, 4062, 4063, 4064, 4065, 4066, 4067, 4068, 4069, 4070, 4071, 4072, 4073, 4074, 4075, 4076, 4077, 4078, 4079, 4080, 4081, 4082, 4083, 4084, 4085, 4086, 4087, 4088, 4089, 4090, 4091, 4092, 4093, 4094, 4095, 4096, 4097, 4098, 4099, 4100. The data structure 4000 is a table with columns and rows. The columns are labeled: N PROD, NATR, ATTR1 mval, ATTR2 mval, ATTR N mval, val1 prod1, val2 prod1, val2 prod2, val2 prod3, val2 prod4, val2 prod5, val2 prod6, val2 prod7, val2 prod8, val2 prod9, val2 prod10, val2 prod11, val2 prod12, val2 prod13, val2 prod14, val2 prod15, val2 prod16, val2 prod17, val2 prod18, val2 prod19, val2 prod20, val2 prod21, val2 prod22, val2 prod23, val2 prod24, val2 prod25, val2 prod26, val2 prod27, val2 prod28, val2 prod29, val2 prod30, val2 prod31, val2 prod32, val2 prod33, val2 prod34, val2 prod35, val2 prod36, val2 prod37, val2 prod38, val2 prod39, val2 prod40, val2 prod41, val2 prod42, val2 prod43, val2 prod44, val2 prod45, val2 prod46, val2 prod47, val2 prod48, val2 prod49, val2 prod50, val2 prod51, val2 prod52, val2 prod53, val2 prod54, val2 prod55, val2 prod56, val2 prod57, val2 prod58, val2 prod59, val2 prod60, val2 prod61, val2 prod62, val2 prod63, val2 prod64, val2 prod65, val2 prod66, val2 prod67, val2 prod68, val2 prod69, val2 prod70, val2 prod71, val2 prod72, val2 prod73, val2 prod74, val2 prod75, val2 prod76, val2 prod77, val2 prod78, val2 prod79, val2 prod80, val2 prod81, val2 prod82, val2 prod83, val2 prod84, val2 prod85, val2 prod86, val2 prod87, val2 prod88, val2 prod89, val2 prod90, val2 prod91, val2 prod92, val2 prod93, val2 prod94, val2 prod95, val2 prod96, val2 prod97, val2 prod98, val2 prod99, val2 prod100. The rows are labeled: 4003, 4004, 4005, 4006, 4007, 4008, 4009, 4010, 4011, 4012, 4013, 4014, 4015, 4016, 4017, 4018, 4019, 4020, 4021, 4022, 4023, 4024, 4025, 4026, 4027, 4028, 4029, 4030, 4031, 4032, 4033, 4034, 4035, 4036, 4037, 4038, 4039, 4040, 4041, 4042, 4043, 4044, 4045, 4046, 4047, 4048, 4049, 4050, 4051, 4052, 4053, 4054, 4055, 4056, 4057, 4058, 4059, 4060, 4061, 4062, 4063, 4064, 4065, 4066, 4067, 4068, 4069, 4070, 4071, 4072, 4073, 4074, 4075, 4076, 4077, 4078, 4079, 4080, 4081, 4082, 4083, 4084, 4085, 4086, 4087, 4088, 4089, 4090, 4091, 4092, 4093, 4094, 4095, 4096, 4097, 4098, 4099, 4100.

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4003, 4004, 4005, 4006

N PROD	NATR	ATTR1 mval	ATTR2 mval	ATTR N mval	val1 prod1	val2 prod1	val2 prod2	val2 prod3	val2 prod4	val2 prod5	val2 prod6	val2 prod7	val2 prod8	val2 prod9	val2 prod10	val2 prod11	val2 prod12	val2 prod13	val2 prod14	val2 prod15	val2 prod16	val2 prod17	val2 prod18	val2 prod19	val2 prod20	val2 prod21	val2 prod22	val2 prod23	val2 prod24	val2 prod25	val2 prod26	val2 prod27	val2 prod28	val2 prod29	val2 prod30	val2 prod31	val2 prod32	val2 prod33	val2 prod34	val2 prod35	val2 prod36	val2 prod37	val2 prod38	val2 prod39	val2 prod40	val2 prod41	val2 prod42	val2 prod43	val2 prod44	val2 prod45	val2 prod46	val2 prod47	val2 prod48	val2 prod49	val2 prod50	val2 prod51	val2 prod52	val2 prod53	val2 prod54	val2 prod55	val2 prod56	val2 prod57	val2 prod58	val2 prod59	val2 prod60	val2 prod61	val2 prod62	val2 prod63	val2 prod64	val2 prod65	val2 prod66	val2 prod67	val2 prod68	val2 prod69	val2 prod70	val2 prod71	val2 prod72	val2 prod73	val2 prod74	val2 prod75	val2 prod76	val2 prod77	val2 prod78	val2 prod79	val2 prod80	val2 prod81	val2 prod82	val2 prod83	val2 prod84	val2 prod85	val2 prod86	val2 prod87	val2 prod88	val2 prod89	val2 prod90	val2 prod91	val2 prod92	val2 prod93	val2 prod94	val2 prod95	val2 prod96	val2 prod97	val2 prod98	val2 prod99	val2 prod100
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PROD ID 1	PROD ID 2	PROD ID N	mval list 1	mval list 2	mval list 3	mval list N
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FIG. 4A

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VALUE	CHARACTER STRING
2	PENTIUM
293	PENTIUM III
7693	500 MHZ
301	766 MHZ
6598	CPU
12002	MEMORY
964	256 MB
7873	TOSHIBA MODEL "X"
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FIG. 4B

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FIG. 5

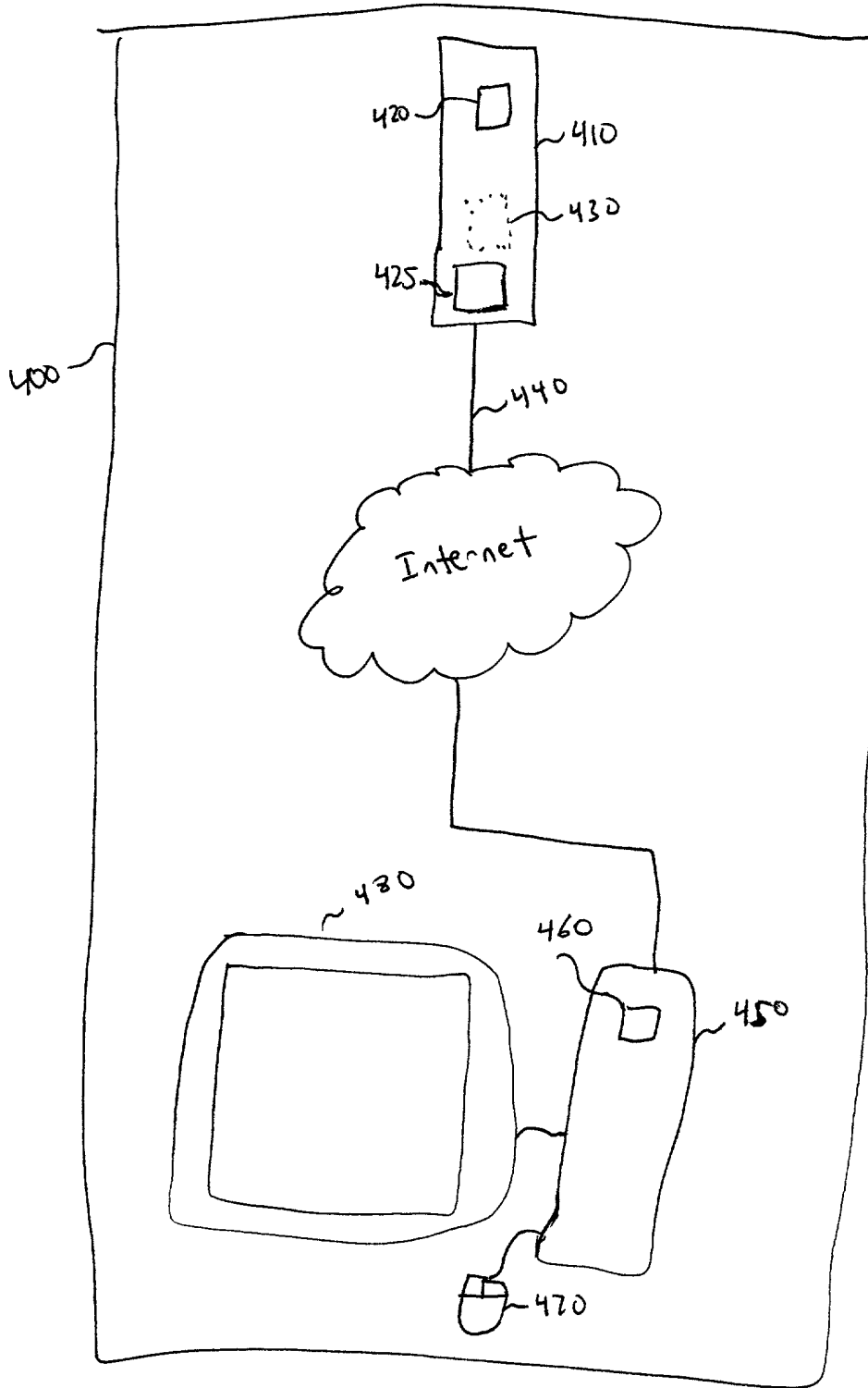


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RANKED: 2 out of 72 Desktop PCs

FEATURES:

•400 MHz G4 Processor

•1024 L2 Cache

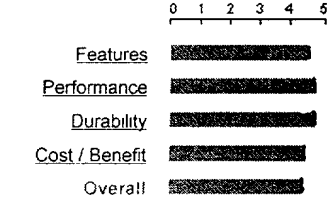
•64 MB SDRAM

•10 GB Ultra ATA Hard Drive

•16 MB Video Memory

More Features

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User Reviews 1 out of 18

LOGGED IN USER NAME, from New York, New York, December 1, 1999

This is the best!

I've had my G4 for 1 month. Never had a single problem with it, and it's very powerful. Like a fair number of users, I use both Mac and Windows NT extensively. The only thing the Windows machines have on the G4 is the price -- and that's quickly made up for in time savings. Get past the Mac vs. PC prejudices and bigotry and go USE them for yourself. Some of the interesting Mac myths I've found to be untrue: 1) you have to have Windows to be compatible with the Windows world (many programs, such as Word, will read a document created on another platform, and Macs read Windows disks). 2) Macs are toys for elementary users (they're actually quite powerful machines that do everything any other machine can do). 3) There's no software for the Mac (I've been able to find Mac versions of every piece of software I need -- I only have a Windows emulator for testing my cross-platform CD-ROM projects).

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By Michael Flaminio, *Insanely Great Mac*, November 22, 1999

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FIG. 7A

Vendor Information

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Name:

71~address: street

City, State

72~telephone: (XXX) XXX-XXXX

73~Ships: Air or Ground mail

74~Accepted Payment: Cash, Credit Card, Check

75~Return Policy: 30 days

76~Rating: 4.2

77~Reviews: [Click here](#)

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Products	Price	Availability
10 Computer A	\$ 1000 ~80	Yes ~150
10 Computer B	\$ 2000 ~80	No ~150
10 Computer C	\$ 3000 ~80	Yes ~150

FIG. 7B.

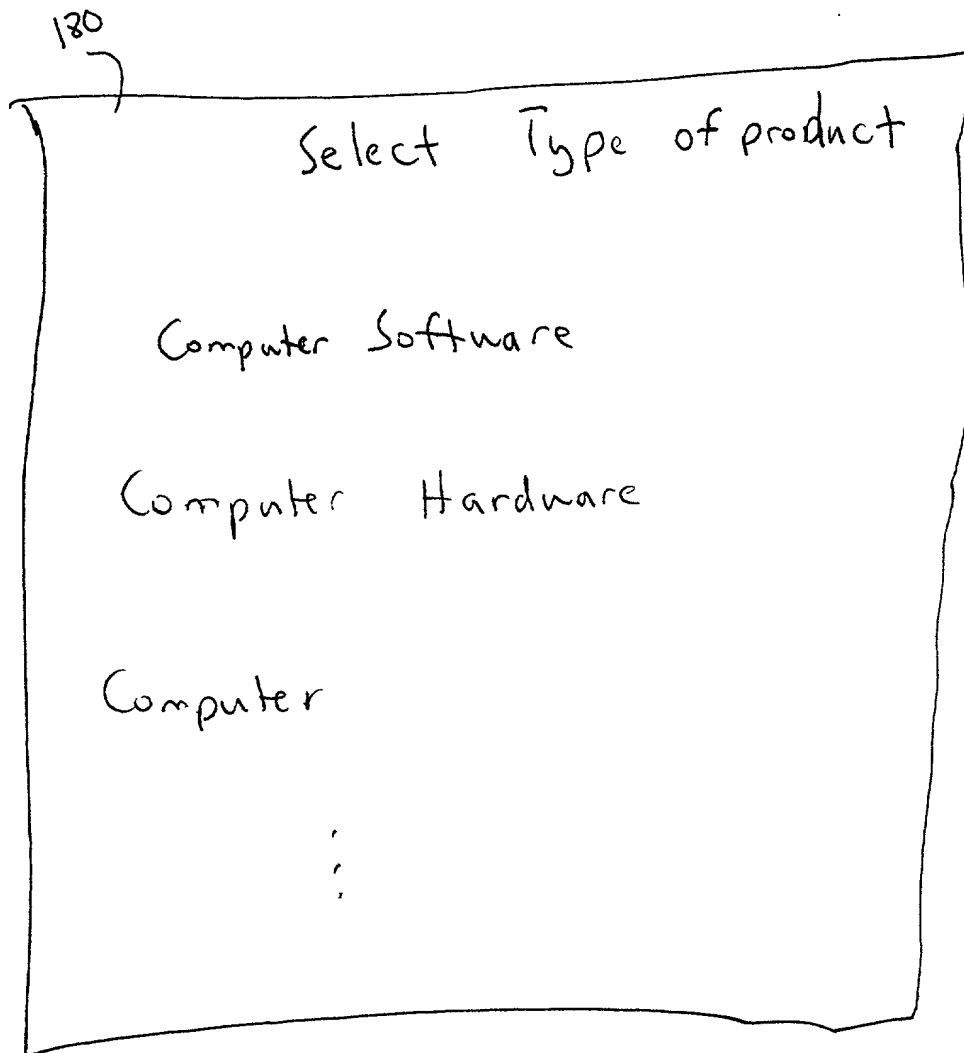


FIG. 7C.

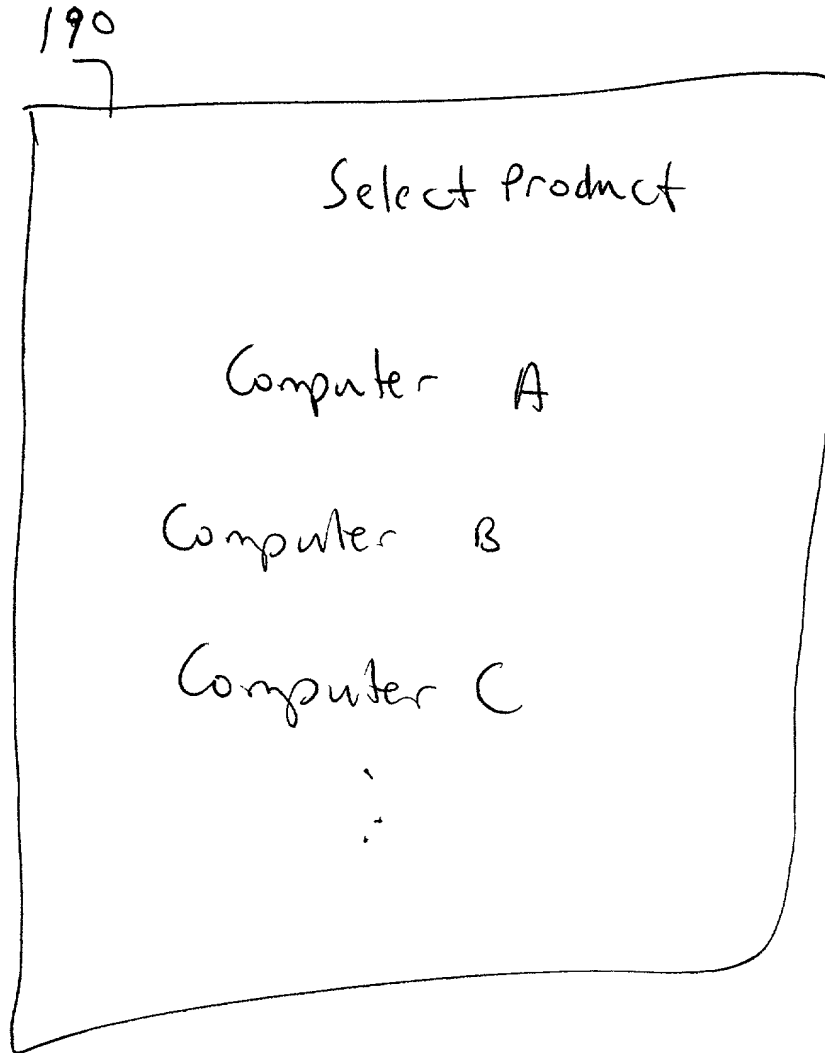


FIG. 8

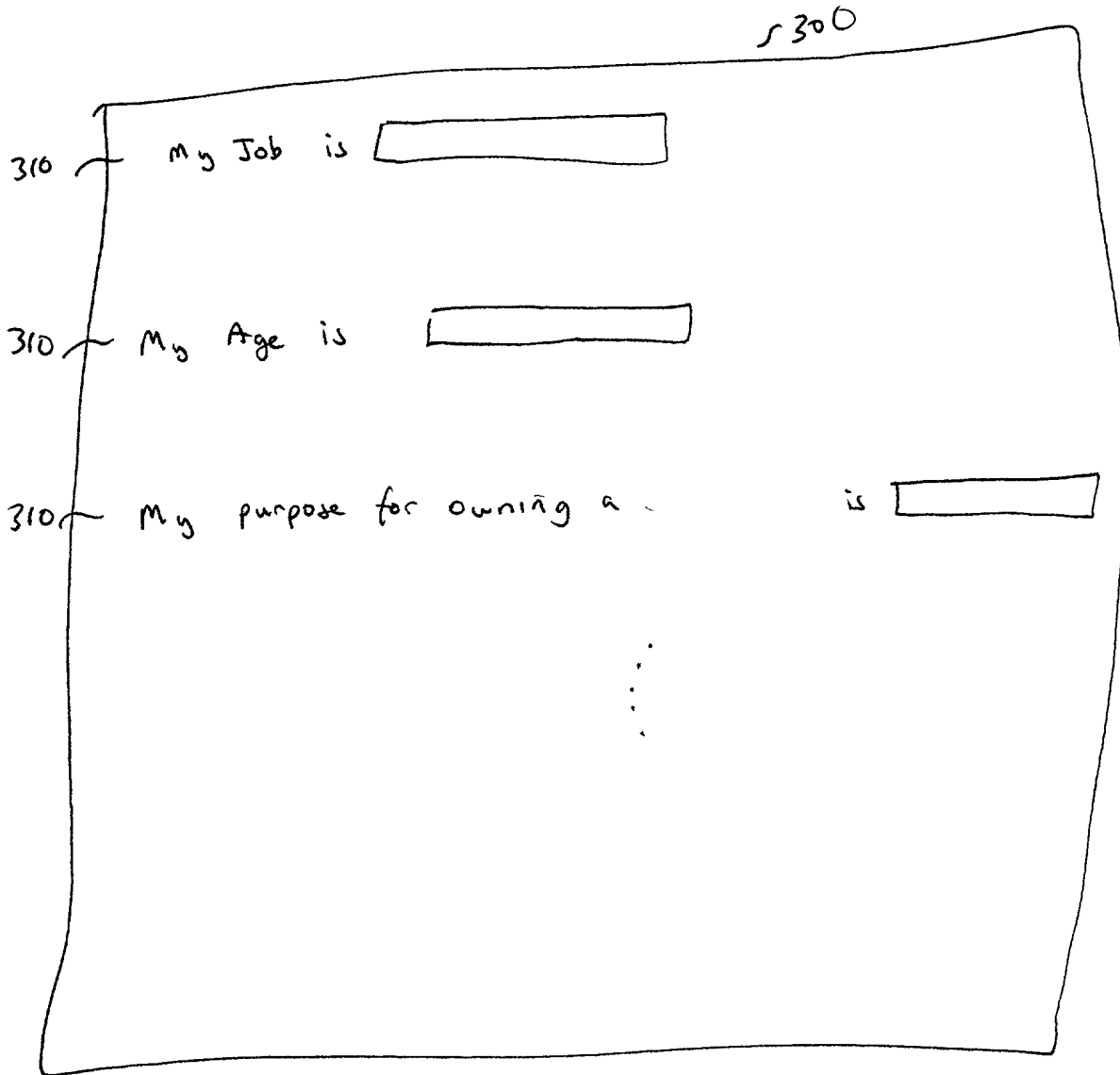


FIG. 9

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Desired Features

161 Computer Operating System:

161 Computer Price:

161 Computer Memory:

161 Computer Storage Size:

161 Monitor Size:

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